

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 750

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate the members of the Scotts Hill Lions Club on the occasion of the Club's sixtieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to commend those public service organizations whose members have banded together to serve their community, state, and nation through service projects and other activities of regional, national, and even international scope; and

WHEREAS, Lions Clubs International is the largest service organization in the world; and

WHEREAS, the Scotts Hill Lions Club, which is celebrating its sixtieth anniversary this year, is an active and vital part of Lions International, and its estimable members endeavor to serve their fellow citizens in numerous ways; and

WHEREAS, the mission statement of the Lions Club includes this noble objective: to create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation; and

WHEREAS, Scotts Hill Lions Club was chartered on March 30, 1948, and was initially sponsored by Lion Farris Stafford of the Adamsville Lions Club, assisted by Lion Erin Holland, Scotts Hill mayor at the time; the club's first President was Lion Elco Kennedy and its first Secretary was Lion Raymond Scott; and

WHEREAS, in the sixty years since the club's inception, it's members have generously volunteered their time, energy, and resources in support of numerous local charities; in addition, members have contributed toward relief efforts stretching far beyond the surrounding communities to encompass national and international relief efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Club has worked assiduously on behalf of sight conservation, and Lions International members collect more than five million pairs of used glasses each year for distribution in other countries; and

WHEREAS, other activities supported by the Scotts Hill Lions Club in past years include the development of Scotts Hill City Park and Pavilion, a monument honoring local veterans, restoration of the historical Doe Creek one-room country school, restoration of a historical slave cemetery in the Presley Ridge community, and sponsoring the Scotts Hill Senior Citizen Center, to name but a few of the many worthwhile projects the Club has accomplished; and

WHEREAS, moreover, the Scotts Hill Lions Club established the Joe Boswell College Scholarship Fund in 1977; the scholarship is awarded annually to a local high school graduate with an outstanding grade point average who demonstrates high achievement potential; and

WHEREAS, the Scotts Hill Lions Club is comprised of twenty-seven members at present, including five "Lady Lions," and is led by current President Lion Dan Brigance and Secretary Lion Patty Stewart; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Scotts Hill Lions Club is a clear demonstration of the Lions International motto: "We Serve!"; and

WHEREAS, the history and achievements of the Scotts Hill Lions Club clearly are worthy of this legislative body's commendation and thanks; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join with the officers and members of the Scotts Hill Lions Club in celebrating sixty years of superior accomplishments and outstanding service to their community, the State of Tennessee, this nation, and the world.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we thank them for their many contributions and offer them our best wishes for much continued success and satisfaction in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.